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SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (KB8NW): SSSSSHHHH!!!!!!! You did not hear this from me. My wife Linda (OPDX's Chief-Proof Reader) has a birthday today (August 30th) and hits the "BIG FIVE O" (50th). I still think she looks like 29. Birthday wishes can be sent to: lmsm54@hotmail.com Remember, you did not hear this from me. (I will deny it!)

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd/August, through Sunday, 29th/August there were 216 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZF, ZK1/s, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

135th HPM BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY. Many stations will be active on the air to help celebrate the 135th birthday anniversary of the League's co-founder and first president **Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW**, who was born September 2, 1869. Look for ARRL Life members and League's elected and appointed volunteers and officials to append /135 to their callsigns. The HPM/135 event begins at 0000z on Thursday, September 2nd, and concludes at 2400z on Sunday, September 12th. To find out if you are eligible to sign /135, please see September's

QST (page 40) or visit the following Web page for details at: http://www.arrl.org/qst/2004/09/field-positions-135.html The Maxim Memorial Station W1AW will be on the air for the 135th birthday anniversary event. While W1AW has been appending "/90" to its callsign to mark the ARRL's 90th anniversary, it will go with the /135 identifier during the birthday celebration period. A certificate is available by working at least 25 HPM/135 stations and submitting a log extract including date, time, band, callsign worked and exchange for each /135 contact. This certificate is endorsable in increments of 25 contacts up to a maximum of 100. Details are also available on the above mentioned Web site and QST.

3D2, FIJI. Mark, KM6HB (ZK1AHB) will be active as **3D2HB** from **Viti Levu** (**OC-016**) from **August 30th to September 7th**. Activity will be on 40-6 meters with 30 meters RTTY as a priority. Operations will only be 100 watts into a vertical. QSL via his home callsign direct or by the Bureau.

4S, SRI LANKA. Masa, JQ3DUE/**4S7DUG**, will lead a group of Japanese operators to Sri Lanka between **September 18-23rd**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters with emphasis on the lower bands. They plan to have four stations active all day long. QSL via operator's instructions.

5U7DX IS NOW QRT. QSL Manager Dennis, PA7FM, informs OPDX that after just 8 days of operations with almost 1000 QSOs made in his spare time, Michael, PA5M, is now in **Mali (TZ)**. He will try to get a licence, although chances look small that he will get one in the short term. On the **16th of September** Michael will go to **Ghana (9G)**. A licence there shouldn't be a problem. In the meantime, Dennis states that the design for the 5U7DX QSL is almost ready to go to the printer (full color photo QSL again). The final logs for 5U7DX are on: http://www.pa7fm.nl

5X, UGANDA. Graham, **5X1GS**, was pretty active over the past weekend on 20/15 meters SSB. Watch around on 14156 kHz after 2000z and 21215 kHz after 1230z. QSL via WB2YQH.

7X2ARA CQWW CW CONTEST STORY. Con, DF4SA, reports, "Since the CQ magazine with the CQWW CW results is out, I have received several E-mails regarding my operation from 7X2ARA in the 2003 CQWW CW Contest. For those who like reading the long story and see some pictures, have a look at my website. You will find the 7X2ARA story PDF file among others at: http://www.qsl.net/df4sa/dxped.htm. It's more like a traveling story, not only a contest story. Once again thanks to the 7X hams for making this adventure come true.."

9U, BURUNDI. Pierre-Marie, F6FLN/HB9DTM, is in **Bujumbura** for **two months** with the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR). He has gotten his licence (**9U6PM**) valid **through next February**. He has a TS450 and will be active on SSB. However, he is waiting for his keyer to be sent to him. His activity over the past week has been on 15/12/10 meters between 0800 and 1530z. Watch around or on 21242, 21270, 24948 and 28505 kHz.

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Bernd "Ben", DL6FBL, will be active as 9Y4ZC during the **CQ WW DX CW Contest** (**November 27-28th**) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. QSL via DL6FBL. He will use two Tribanders, a 2-element 40m beam and verticals for 80/160m. For updates, watch his Web page at: http://www.dl6fbl.de/9y4zc/

A5, BHUTAN. A group of French operators from the Clipperton DX Club (CDXC) that

include Gerard/F2VX, Jean-Louis/F9DK, Vincent/G0LMX and Alain/F5LMJ will in **Thimphu** from **October 24th to November 11th**. During the 1st week from Thimphu they will participate in the **CQWW SSB Contest** and after that they will move to **Jakar** for building a new club station. All QSLs are via F9DK and all QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau.

A NEW AWARD FROM BARTG! The Britis Amateur Radio Teledata Group (BARTG) is pleased to annouce the last in its series of continental awards. The OCEANIA award completes the continental awards from BARTG. The award is available in three classes: Class 3 is for 10 countries; Class 2 is for 25 countries; and Class 1 is for 45 countries. The claim can be endorsed as ALL RTTY, or ALL PSK, or can be mixed digital modes. You can also claim single band or mixed bands. There are three methods of claiming: 1) Submit the relevant QSL cards. 2) Submit a list of countries worked, endorsed by TWO officials of a recognized club or organisation. 3) For countries worked in one of the BARTG RTTY contests. Awards cost £6.00, USD 10.00, or 10 Euros. For the full rules, please see the awards pages on: http://www.bartg.demon.co.uk. Applications should be sent to Phil Cooper, GU0SUP. Queries can be E-mailed to: pcooper@guernsey.net

C5, THE GAMBIA. Jef, ON4ACA, will be active from here for **2 weeks starting October 27th**. His callsign was not provided, but his activity will be on all bands (possibly 160/80m) CW/SSB and a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry in the **CQ WW DX SSB Contest** (**October 30-31st**). QSL via ON4ACA.

DXCC NEWS.....

- Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit: **OJ0J** - Market Reef July 1-4, 2004
- WORD THROUGH THE GRAPE VINE (InterNet Mailing Lists) states the following have and have not been accepted for DXCC: **HP1/DJ7AA** is NOT BEING ACCEPTED for DXCC by the ARRL due to the lack of documentation. **FO/ON4AXU** operation IS BEING ACCEPTED for DXCC.

FM, MARTINIQUE. Laurent, F5MUX, will return here for the next **CQWW SSB Contest** (**October 30-31st**) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He hopes to get his previous callsign as **FM2GO**, if not he will get a TO prefix. QSL via F5MUX, QSL Bureau or direct to his new address: P.O. Box 42, 29950 BENODET Cedex, FRANCE.

FW, WALLIS AND FUTUNA ISLANDS (Also 3D2). Nob/JA7OV and Hiro/JA7AQR will operate as **FW7OV** and **FW7AQR**, respectively, from **Wallis Island** (**OC-054**) between **October 9-15th**. They will be active on 40-10 meters SSB and RTTY with a 15 meter 2 element Yagi and multiband dipoles with 100 watts. They state, "Sorry there will be no CW activities." One or two days before and after their FW operation, they will be operating as **3D2TY** (JA7OV) and **3D2YT** (JA7AQR) from **Fiji**. QSL to their home callsigns via the bureau or direct to the following addresses: JA7OV - Yoshinobu Takahashi, 4-9-36 Emata, Yamagata, 990-0861 JAPAN and JA7AQR - Yoshihiro Tanaka, 1-10-6 Minamihara, Yamagata, 990-2413 JAPAN

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-134**. After 4 years of silence, the Hebei/Tianjin Province Group will be activated by

Fan Bin, BA1RB, from **September 18-20th**, as **BA1RB/3**. Activity will be on 20-10 meters including the WARC bands. Modes will include RTTY and PSK31. Operations will be 40-48 hours depending on the weather and tide conditions. Antennas will be two sets of 2 element yagis (for 20-10 meters. w/WARC bands), a vertical and dipole. BA1RB's planned schedule (may vary due to propagation) is:

Local Time	Band
Evening, 18th	17m
Morning, 19th	12m and 10m
Evening, 19th	20m
Morning, 20th	15m

ADDED NOTE: If possible, they may test 160/80m at sunset. QSL via EA7FTR.

- **AS-173**. NOW QRT! Raman, VU3DJQ, who received permission to operate as **AT0RI** from **Rameswaram** on **Pamban Island** in the Tamil Nadu State South Group (India), has gone QRT earlier than planned on August 28th. QSL via: P.O. Box 6073, Bangalore 560060, India.
- **EU-054**. Alberto, IT9MRM, will be active as **IF9/IT9MRM** from **Favignana Island** (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-025), **September 7th** from 0900-1700z. Activity will be from **Punta Sottile Lighthouse** (ARLHS ITA-145 and WAIL SI-024) on 40/20 meters SSB. QSL direct or via the bureau.
- **EU-124**. Look for the Barry Amateur Radio Society to activate GB5FI from **Flatholm Island** now **through and September 1st**. QSL via GW0ANA, direct or by the bureau.
- **EU-136**. Operators OE1CIQ, OE8YDQ and OE6CAG will be active from **Krk Island** (CI-046, MC-185) as **9A/homecall**, **September 7-11th**. If the weather permits, they will also try to activate the following islands: **Plavnik Mali Islet** (**EU-136**, CI-225, MC-225), **Kormati** (**EU-136**, CI-178, MC-165) and **Cres** (**EU-136**, CI-012, MC-056). QSL via operator's instructions.
- **NA-066**. Tom, WA6WPG, will be operating from **Santa Barbara Island** (WLH-0258), **September 25-26th**. He will be using solar panels and 2 large batteries, and expects to be able to run 100 watts both days on 80-10 meters, CW/SSB. The callsign will be **WA6WPG/P**. QSL direct or by the Bureau via WA6WPG.

ILLW 2004 UPDATE/WRAP. Mike, GM4SUC, Organizer and Coordinator of the **2004 International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend**, states that there were over 360 stations active in 51 countries from lighthouses and lightships during the event. New countries were SV9, YB, GJ, OA and HB9. Overall most countries had the same number of stations as last year except Wales who went from 1 to 8 stations while the USA went from 72 to 45 stations. Next year's weekend will be from 0001 UTC on Saturday, **20th August** until 2359 UTC on Sunday, **21st August 2005**. Any comments on the weekend would be appreciated to either Kevin/VK2CE or Mike/GM4SUC.

JW, SVALBARD. Operators JW5NM, JW7FD and possibly others will be active as **JW5E** during the **CQ WW DX SSB Contest** (**October 30-31st**) as a Multi-Op/ Single-Transmitter entry. QSL via JW5NM. The groups Web page is: http://www.mamut.com/polarpost

KL7, ALASKA (Special Event). Now **through September 6th**, look for the special event station **KL7AA** from the **Alaska State Fair**. QSL via AC7DX with a SASE #10 envelope for a

certificate. No postcard style please. No Bureau QSLs.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- **QSL ROUTE CHANGE**. The QSL route for **FP/KT1J** has changed effective immediately. K1WY is not the QSL Manager for this station at this time. Send your QSL requests for a contact with FP/KT1J to KT1J for all contacts. QSL direct (w/SASE) or by the Bureau.

LX5, LUXEMBOURG. Look for **LX5A** to be active in two upcoming contests:

- **CQWW RJ RTTY Contest** (**September 24-25th**) - Operators LX1ER and LX1RQ. QSL via the LX Bureau or LX1RQ.
- **ARRL 10m Contest** (**December 11-12th**) - Entry mix mode (Multi/Single). Operators are: KT8X (CW); LX1ER and LX1RQ (SSB). QSL via the LX Bureau or LX1RQ.

R1, MALYJ VYSOTSKIIJ ISLAND (POSTPONED!). Reports indicate that the R1MVI operation scheduled for August 27-29th, has been **postponed** due to technical reasons. New dates are expected to be announced later.

RARE GRID TO BE ACTIVATED. Just a reminder! Look for Matt/KB8KNM and Dan/KB8UYZ to activate the rare Grid EN67 from **Michigan's Keweenaw Peninsula** as **K8C** on **September 5th**. For the county hunters, that's Keweenaw County. Activity will be on 80-2 meter SSB for just a one day operation. For more details refer to OPDX.671. QSL direct via Dan, KB8UYZ. All QSLs will be answered. A S.A.S.E. is appreciated, but not required.

SOUTH AMERICAN TRIP. Look for Tono, EA9CP, to activate a few South American countries over the next month and a half. His schedule is as follows:

- **Peru** - Active from Punta Hermosa from **September 9-15th**. His callsign will be **OA4/EA9CP**.
- **Ecuador** - Active from Quito from **September 19-21st** and **October 3rd**. He will be active as **HC1/EA9CP** or **HC1CB**.
- **Ecuador** - Active from Isla San Cristobal (IOTA SA-004) from September 22nd to October 2nd.
- **Costa Rica** - Active from San Jose from **October 4-11th**. His callsign will be **TI1/EA9CP**.
- **Colombia** - Active from **Isla San Andres** (IOTA **NA-033**) from **October 11-13th**. His callsign will be **HK0/EA9CP**.

SPECIAL EVENT. Operators Jerome/F5ASD and Gerald/F4ASA will be active using the special callsign **TM5BDM** to commemorate the **90th anniversary of the First Battle of the River Marne** (1914-2004) during the WWI, **September 4-5th**. Their QTH will be 40 km east of Paris Villeroy (Dpt 77), Charles Peguy Memorial. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using a TS-140 and FT-100 into a G5RV. QSL Manager is F5ASD; QSL direct or via the Bureau.

TA, TURKEY (IOTA Ops). Operators Thierry/F5SNY and Christian/F8BOD are in Turquie up to **September 10th**, and will be active as **TA/homecall**. They will try to activate some of Turkey's islands such as **AS-115, AS-123** and **AS-098** for the IOTA program.

TK, CORSICA. Christophe, F4DZY, will be active from here as **TK/F4DZY** from **September 8-22nd**. Activity will be on the HF bands on SSB. QSL via operator's instructions.

TX/C, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND (Update). The German group who plans to go here in October will be active on 160-6 meters CW/SSB/RTTY. Their callsign will not be announced before their operation. Operators will be Chris/DL5NAM, Jan/DJ8NK, Hawa/DK9KX, Dieter/DJ9ON, Dieter/DL3KDV and Heye/DJ9RR. Activity will begin on **October 15th or 16th, and last for 8 days**. For more info and pictures, please visit their Web page at: http://www.df3cb.com/chesterfield/

V63, MICRONESIA. Kaz, JA0VSH, informs OPDX that he and wife Miyuki, JG0PBJ will be active from Micronesia as **V63KZ** and **V63MP** from **September 17-26th**. Activity will be SSB and CW on 160-10 meters. QSL via their home callsign. His NEW home address is as follows: Miyuki Maruyama / Kazuhide Maruyama, 1-25-49, Irima-cho, Chofu, Tokyo 182-0004 Japan.

V63, MICRONESIA. Sho, JA7HMZ, will be active as **V63DX** from **Pohnpei** (**OC-010**), **October 29th through November 3rd**. Activity will include a Single-Op/All-Band entry as **V63B** in the **CQWW SSB Contest**. QSL via JA7HMZ. ALL QSOs are OK via the ARRL/LoTW.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. The Group Tomball DX'ers (GTDX) has announced their second annual DXpedition. This year the group consisting of Cal White/WF5W, Keith Dutson/NM5G, Madison Jones/W5MJ and Paul Frantz/W5PF, will visit the Falkland Islands. They will arrive on Saturday, **November 20th**, and leave on Saturday, **December 4th**. Activity will include an entry in the **CQWW DX Contest** as **VP8WWW**. During the rest of their stay the group will be active on all bands from 80-10 meters with the possibility of 6 meters depending on conditions. The WARC bands will be emphasized, and there will be activity on RTTY and PSK. Individual callsigns will be issued upon arrival in Stanley. QSL all callsigns via W5PF. The group will have two Kenwood TS-480HX tranceivers. Amplifiers are not permitted, so this will be a low power operation. Operation will be on or near the following frequencies:

- **CW** - 3503/3523, 7003/7023, 10103, 14023, 18073, 21023, 24893, 28023, 50103
- **SSB** - 3795, 7055, 14195/14260, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28480, 50103
- **RTTY** - 7035, 10133, 14083, 18101, 21083, 24920 and 28083
- **PSK** - 7035/7080, 10143, 14071, 18101, 21071, 24920 and 28120

For the latest information, please check their Web site at: http://www.gtdx.com

WRTC 2006 NEWS. Oms, PY5EG, has informed the contesting community that the next **World Radiosport Team Championship** (WRTC in July 2006) will be in **Florianopolis**, and the WRTC2006 Committee has started the activities to organize the event. The initial Committee has been formed and include the following: PP5JR/Sergio, PP5WG/Walter, PP5UA/Pedro, PT2ADM/Gustavo, PY0FF/Andre, PY1KN/Marcelo, PY2EMC/Eric, PY2YP/Cesar, PY5CC/Peter, PY5KD/ Luciano and PY5EG/Oms. More individuals will be added to the Committee later. A WRTC 2006 Web page has been set up, but still under construction at: http://www.wrtc2006.com On the Web page, Oms advises, "You can see our preliminary rules and also the criteria selection and something about our beautiful Florianopolis. From time to time we will incorporate new information on our page, and we

kindly invite you to continuously visit the WRTC 2006 page." They also invite the Ham radio community to subscribe to their reflector via their Web page in order to receive all news about the event at: http://maresia.onda.com.br/mailman/listinfo/wrtc2006/

XX9, MACAO. It has been announced that Hiro, JA0SC, has been forced to **cancel** his August 24-31st operation. No other details were given.

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me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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